

Marked-up version of claims to show changes made to above clean version.

Amend or rewrite the following claims.

18. Thrice Amended) A polyhedral oligomeric silsesquioxane (POSS) compound of the formula,  $[(\text{RSiO}_{1.5})_n(\text{RXSiO}_{1.0})_m]_{\Sigma\#}$ , where n is 4-24, m is 1-10, R is aliphatic, aromatic, olefinic, alkoxy, siloxy or H and X is the conjugate base of an acid, which base is of F, OH, [when] where the OH groups are in an exo-stereochemical position, SH, NHR or  $\text{NR}_2$ ,  $\text{ClO}_4$ ,  $\text{SO}_3\text{OH}$ ,  $\text{SO}_3\text{CF}_3$ ,  $\text{SO}_3\text{Cl}$ ,  $\text{SO}_3\text{CH}_3$ ,  $\text{NO}_3$ , or  $\text{PO}_4$ .

Cancel claim 19.

26. (Twice Amended) The composition of claim 25 selected from the group consisting of [ one of ]:

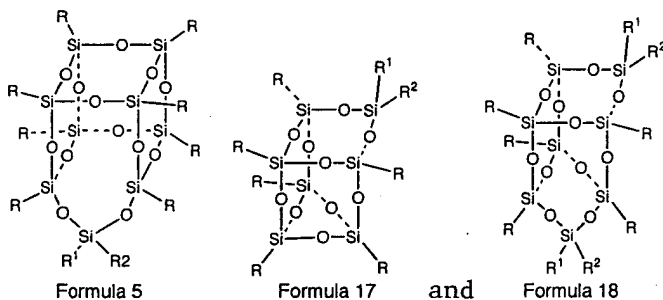


Exhibit A